

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2017

Dear Friends of Trickey Pond,

Summer is nearly here, and your friends at the Trickey Pond Environmental Protection Association are as excited as you are to get back on the water with our Trickey Pond family! While you have fun in the sun, you can look forward to more from your TPEPA this summer!

We have had a busy winter here at the TPEPA. We were thrilled to see lots of snow on Trickey, followed by a rainy spring, so we are hoping to see a higher water level than last summer!

Weather aside, we worked hard to make some big changes within our organization. As you can see at the top of this page, an anonymous donor commissioned a designer to create our beautiful new custom logo of a loon swimming Trickey Pond.

Also new this year was an Annual Report. You can see all that we accomplished and our amazing supporters. Please check out our 2016 Annual Report on our website, www.trickeypond.org. In addition, we have added online donations to our website so that you can quickly and easily support your pond!

You can expect to see more of the TPEPA in the community in 2017. We hope to bring neighbors together in our shared interest of protecting our pond. We hope to see you throughout the summer! We would love some new faces at the TPEPA, so please email us at info@tpepa.org if you would like to get involved, or please join us at our public meeting on June 17 at 9 a.m. at the Naples Town Office.

Please stay connected with us to find out more about what we are doing! Please "like" the TPEPA Facebook page, and follow us on Instagram: @TrickeyPond. Join your Trickey Pond family on social media!

See you soon! The Members of the TPEPA

HOW DO I CONNECT WITH THE TPEPA?

"Like" Our Page on Facebook

Trickey Pond Environmental Protection Association



"Follow" Us on Instagram

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Visit our Website

www.trickeypond.org



Come to our first public meeting of the year!

Saturday June 17, 2017 9 a.m. Naples Town Office

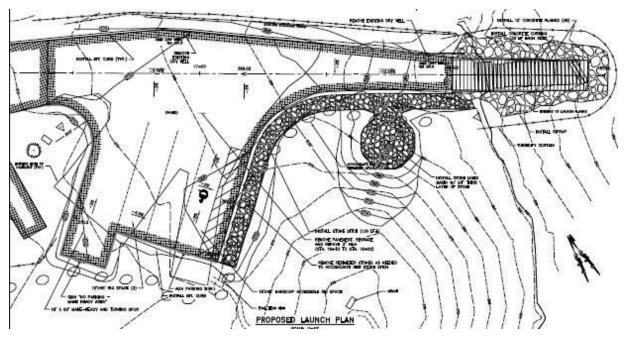
EXCITING NEWS ON TRICKEY POND

State Boat Ramp Construction Project

When the State Boat Ramp for public access to Trickey Pond was first constructed, we were dismayed to see the long downward slope of the driveway leading to the boat ramp. The three storm water catch basins were completely inadequate to capture the amount of water that flowed down the driveway either after a heavy rain or when the snow accumulation melted in the spring. The catch basins were often filled to the brim and the dirty runoff flowed down into the lake. Complaints about the ramp went nowhere. We were told it was designed to meet state specifications.

In 2012, after many complaints about the difficulty in using the ramp with trailer wheels slipping off the edges, the state decided to modify the ramp. They added some wider concrete planks in the water and placed some riprap adjacent to the ramp. A portion of the blacktop approach was removed, re-graded, and repaved, but the construction was done so late in the season that the repaving was not done until late in the following year. We had hoped that the runoff problem would be solved, but nothing was done to correct the problem.

The state has come up with a construction project for this year, as shown in the plan below, which appears to address the runoff issue. As well as some modification to the actual ramp, there will be extensive modification to the driveway. The approach to the ramp will be re-graded and a stone lined ditch installed on the north side from the back of the turning space down to the ramp. This will be sloped so that any runoff should drain into a new large stone lined catch basin where it will be absorbed into the ground.



PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR TPEPA!

As you know, one of the primary purposes of the TPEPA is to raise money to take care of Trickey's pristine waters.

In 2017, we hope to:

- Increase the hours that boat inspectors are at the public ramp to keep milfoil and other invasive species out of Trickey pond.
- Continue our relationship with the LEA specialists to conduct water quality surveys throughout the summer.
- Hire a loon specialist to study the nesting habits of our loons, and provide a plan for better protecting their habitat.
- Engage with the community through education and events.

Please make a tax-deductible donation!

Our hope is that every home owner will help protect Trickey Pond.

You can donate <u>on our website</u> with a credit card: www.trickeypond.org OR

Mail us a check: TPEPA, P.O. Box 417 Naples, Maine 04055

